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for the past three months has been as follows: Sailed from Vera Cruz April 1, 1903, to Cienfuegos; thence to New York, Cienfuegos, New York, Daiquiri, Philadelphia, Sagua, Matanzas.

During the week ended July 18, 1903, five vessels received bills of health prior to sailing for ports in the United States.

Twelve deaths were reported in this city during the week, making an annual rate of mortality of 13 per 1,000.

The causes of death reported were as follows: Malarial fever 1, tuberculosis 3, meningitis 1, pulmonary congestion 1, diarrhea and enteritis 2, Bright's disease 1, eclampsia 2, umbilical hemorrhage 1.

No quarantinable disease was reported in this district.

Report from Santiago—Mortality statistics.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Wilson reports, July 14, as follows: Week ended July 11, 1903. Bill of health issued to 1 vessel bound for the United States and Porto Rico. No quarantinable disease has been reported.

Mortality statistics for the week ended July 11, 1903.

Cause of death.	Number.
Malaria.....	2
Pernicious fever.....	1
Tubercle of lungs.....	2
Cancer.....	1
Cerebral hemorrhage.....	1
Tetanus (traumatic).....	1
Organic heart disease.....	1
Atheroma.....	1
Hemorrhage.....	1
Pneumonia.....	1
Gastric ulcer.....	1
Diarrhea and enteritis (under 2 years).....	6
Ill-defined or unspecified.....	2
Total.....	21

Annual rate of mortality for the week, 25.39 per 1,000; estimated population, 43,000.

Report for the month of June, 1903—Increase in mortality.

Number of bills of health issued and of outgoing vessels inspected.....	25
Crews.....	855
Passengers.....	141
Vessels quarantined.....	0
Vessels disinfected.....	0
Certificates issued:	
(a) Immune.....	0
(b) Nonimmune.....	0
Applicants for immune certificates rejected.....	0
Persons vaccinated.....	0
Pieces of baggage outbound:	
(a) Inspected.....	0
(b) Disinfected.....	0
Deaths from yellow fever.....	0
Deaths from other contagious diseases.....	0
Deaths from all causes (stillbirths not counted).....	121
Cases of quarantinable diseases reported in the city.....	0
Cases of other contagious diseases reported in the city.....	0
Certificates issued for shipping remains of dead bodies to the United States.....	0

Attention is called to the enormous increase in the number of deaths. The total for the month is 121. This is the largest number of death

in a single month in the last three years. The principal cause of increase is diseases of the digestive system, of which there are 49 deaths; of these 46 are caused by intestinal diseases, divided as follows:

Diarrhea and enteritis (under 2 years).....	36
Diarrhea and enteritis (chronic)	8
Diarrhea and enteritis (2 years and over).....	2
Total	46
Other digestive diseases.....	3
Group total	49

In other words, the principal increase in the number of deaths was due to digestive diseases in infants; of the 36 under 2 years of age more than three-fourths were under 1 year.

There has been an increase also in general diseases, caused by the increase of malarial affections, from which there were 14 deaths in June. This number just equals that of April and May combined.

The weather during June has been decidedly hotter and sultry.

Vital statistics for the three months ended June 30, 1903.

	April.	May.	June.	Total second quarter.
I. General diseases.....	30	25	38	93
II. Nervous system and special senses.....	6	2	3	11
III. Circulatory system.....	5	14	9	28
IV. Respiratory system.....	2	7	3	12
V. Digestive system.....	9	15	43	73
VI. Genito-urinary system.....	1	0	6	7
VII. Puerperal state.....	0	2	1	3
VIII. Skin and cellular tissue.....	0	0	1	1
IX. Organs of locomotion.....	0	0	0	0
X. Malformations.....	0	1	1	2
XI. Early infancy.....	1	6	1	8
XII. Old age.....	0	0	3	3
XIII. External causes.....	2	0	0	2
XIV. Ill-defined diseases.....	3	5	6	14
Total	59	77	121	257
Still-births.....	10	11	14	35
Official city total	69	88	135	292

GERMANY.

Report from Berlin—Plague and cholera in various countries.

Consul-General Mason reports, July 11, as follows:

Plague.

Egypt.—Between the 20th and 27th of June there were registered in the whole of Egypt 8 cases of plague (with 7 deaths), namely: In Alexandria, 5 cases (4 deaths); in Port Said, 2 cases (1 death); in the district of Tukh, 1 death; in Tantah (Province Garbieh), 1 case (1 death).

British India.—During the week ended June 6 there were registered in the Bombay Presidency 942 cases of plague (and 734 deaths), of which 242 cases (221 deaths) occurred in the city of Bombay, 53 cases (45 deaths) in the town and port of Karachi, and 92 cases (64 deaths) in the harbor of Veraval.